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SUBJECT: OLSZOWSKI VISIT TO CHICAGO

1. DIRECTOR KINAST OF THE POLISH FOREIGN MINISTRY TOLD AN EMBASSY OFFICER SEPTEMBER 27 THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI'S VISIT OCTOBER 1 TO CHICAGO SEEM TO BE IN GOOD SHAPE. KINAST SAID THAT OLSZOWSKI WOULD FLY TO CHICAGO AT THE INVITATION OF BROOKS MCCORMICK TO ATTEND A LUNCHEON IN OLSZOWSKI'S HONOR. PROMIENT BUSINESS LEADERS FROM THE CHICAGO AREA ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. OLSZOWSKI WOULD SPEND ONLY A FEW HOURS IN CHICAGO AND THEN GO ON TO MONTREAL TO CATCH A LOT FLIGHT BACK TO POLAND.

2. COMMENT: MCCORMICK'S INVITATION TO OLSZOWSKI, WHICH WAS EXTENDED SOME TIME AGO, WAS RATHER UNEXPECTEDLY TAKEN UP BY OLSZOWSKI. WE VIEW THE VISIT AS YET ANOTHER ATTEMPT BY THE POLES TO STRENGTHEN TIES WITH THE US AT A TIME WHEN DOMESTIC ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES ARE MOUNTING.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: GIVEN POLISH CONCERN WITH THE ACTIVITIES OF "FREE POLAND", THE EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS TAKING EVERY PRECAUTION TO PREVENT UNTOWARD OCCURENCES WHILE OLSZOWSKI IS IN CHICAGO, DAVIES

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